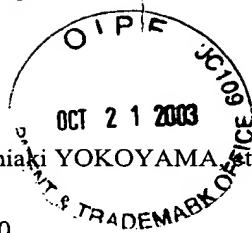


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- ☐ No additional fee is required  
☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.  
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